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**REMARKS**

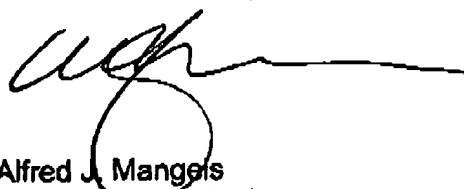
Claims 1 and 3 through 47 were allowed in the previous Office Action.

In this amendment Claim 2 is canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicants reserve the right to present the subject matter of claim 2 in a continuation application.

Based upon the foregoing amendment, only allowed claims remain in the application. Accordingly, an early Notice of Allowance is in order and is respectfully solicited.

The examiner is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned attorney if this amendment raises any questions, so that any such question can be quickly resolved in order that the present application can proceed toward allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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